

Southern California fern notes

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May 30, 1911, in company with my son, I went into the Little Santa Anita canyon in quest of *Cystopteris fragilis* (L.) Bernh. and such other ferns as we might find. We went at once to the station I had discovered two years earlier for *C. fragilis* and found the fern quite plentiful and in good condition. I gathered quite a quantity.

Then determining upon following the canyon part way down, instead of keeping to the trail, we found in less than a quarter of a mile, just below a large clump of *Woodwardia radicans* (L.) Sm., which was growing plentifully on the side of the mountain, a number of clumps of *Adiantum pedatum* L., a fern that I did not know was growing in this section of the country. To say that I was delighted with our find but feebly expresses my feelings.

I shall not attempt to express how I felt, but leave it to the imagination of you who have suddenly stumbled upon something that you had never seen growing in its native wilds, and did not suppose was found within hundreds of miles.

We also collected a few specimens of some of our commoner ferns and came home tired but well satisfied with the results of our trip.

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